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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - ARBITRATION OF LABOR CONTROVERSIES

Introduced By: Representatives Carnevale, Hull, and Johnston

Date Introduced: February 14, 2013

Referred To: House Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 28-9 of the General Laws entitled "Arbitration of Labor

Controversies" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

28-9-1.1. Certain rights of retired police and firefighters. - Any police officer or

4 <u>firefighter who retired under the terms, conditions, or benefits set forth in a collective bargaining</u>

5 agreement providing for said benefits at the time of his or her retirement, may seek enforcement

6 of those rights and benefits under the provisions of this chapter unless expressly prohibited by the

7 grievance/arbitration provisions of the applicable collective bargaining agreement. The rights or

8 benefits claimed by said retiree must arise out of the express terms of the collective bargaining

9 agreement, and the labor organization charged with administration of the current collective

bargaining agreement must have expressly authorized arbitration of the dispute or controversy in

accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would create certain rights of arbitration for retired police officers and firefighters.

This act would take effect upon passage.